

Handout 9-2

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Wildland Fire Fatality and Entrapment INITIAL REPORT

Complete this report for fire-related entrapment and/or fatalities. Timely reporting of wildland-related entrapments or fatalities is necessary for the rapid dissemination of accurate information to the fire management community. It will also allow fire safety and equipment specialists to quickly respond to these events as appropriate. This initial report does not replace agency reporting or investigative responsibilities, policies, or procedures. Immediately notify the National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC). Submit this written report within 24 hours—even if some data are missing—to the address given below.

NICC—National Interagency Fire Center
3833 South Development Ave.
Boise, ID 83705-5354

Phone: 208-387-5400
Fax: 208-387-5414

NICC Intelligence Section
E-mail: nicc_intell@nifc.blm.gov

Submitted by: _____

Position: _____

Agency: _____

Location: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

1. General Information

- Date of event _____ Time _____
- Fire name, location, agency, etc. _____
- Number of personnel involved _____
- Number of: Injuries _____ Fatalities _____

2. Fatalities

- Type of accident:
 - ☐ Aircraft ☐ Vehicle
 - ☐ Natural (lightning, drowning, etc.) ☐ Smoke
 - ☐ Medical (heart, stroke, heat, etc.) ☐ Entrapment
 - ☐ Struck by falling object ☐ Other
- Where fatality/entrapment occurred:
 - ☐ Fire site ☐ In transit
 - ☐ Incident base ☐ Other
- Employing agency _____
- Unit name _____
- Address _____
- For further information, contact _____
- Home unit address _____
- Phone _____

Note: In the event of fatality(s), do not release name(s) until next of kin are notified.

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3. Fire-Related Information

- Fuel model _____
- Temperature _____ RH _____ Wind _____ mph
- Topography _____
_____ Slope _____ %
- Fire size at the time of the incident/accident _____ acres
- Incident management type at the time of the incident/
accident (circle one): 1 2 3 4 5
- Urban/wildland intermix? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Cause of fire: ☐ Natural ☐ Incendiary
 ☐ Accidental ☐ Unknown

4. Entrapment Information

A situation where personnel are unexpectedly caught in a fire-behavior-related, life-threatening position where escape routes or safety zones are absent, inadequate, or have been compromised. An entrapment may or may not include deployment of a fire shelter. Note: Engine and dozer burnovers also constitute entrapments.

- Brief description of the accident _____

Entrapment Description

- Person trapped ☐ With fire shelter ☐ Without fire shelter
- Burns/smoke injuries incurred while
in fire shelter ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Burns/smoke injuries incurred while
escaping entrapment ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Burns/smoke injuries incurred while
fighting fire ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Fire shelter was available, but not used ☐ Yes ☐ No

Personal Protective Equipment Used

- Fire shelter..... ☐ Yes ☐ No Gloves ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Protective pants..... ☐ Yes ☐ No Boots ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Protective shirt..... ☐ Yes ☐ No Goggles... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Face/neck protection . ☐ Yes ☐ No Hardhat.... ☐ Yes ☐ No